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RESPONSE TO MARCH 16, 2005 OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed on March 16, 2005 for the above-referenced patent application. A petition for a three-month extension of time, which sets the due date for response up to and including September 16, 2005, is concurrently submitted. Amgen, Inc., the assignee of the subject application, would like to inform the examiner that the following individual, is authorized by Amgen, Inc. to prosecute the present patent application:

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If the examiner has any questions, he is invited to contact the undersigned, Petrina S. Hsi of Amgen, Inc. at the below-provided telephone number.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper. The remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

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